

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Owen  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the non-final office action dated January 30, 2009. Please amend the subject application as follows.